

My Eye Is Not on the Fog

by George Mueller

George Müller's sermon emphasizes the importance of focusing on God's power and trusting Him in challenging situations.

Scripture: Psalm 37:5, Isaiah 41:10, Jeremiah 32:17, Matthew 21:22, Mark 11:24, Romans 8:28, Ephesians 3:20, Philippians 4:6-7, Hebrews 11:1, James 1:6

Topics: "Faith in God", "Divine Providence"

Description

George Müller emphasizes the importance of faith in God's sovereignty over life's circumstances, recounting a miraculous incident during his journey to Quebec. Despite the dense fog that seemed to make his travel impossible, Müller confidently declared that his focus was not on the fog but on the living God who controls all situations. His unwavering faith led him to pray for the fog to lift, and astonishingly, it did, allowing him to fulfill his commitment. This story illustrates the power of believing prayer and the omnipotence of God in our lives.

Transcript

Key Thought: "My eye is not on the density of the fog, but on the living God who controls every circumstance of my life."

The following incident from the life of George Müller is related by Mr. Inglis, who heard the story from the captain of the ship with whom Müller prayed.

When I first came to America, thirty-one years ago. I crossed the Atlantic with the captain of a steamer who was one of the most devoted men I ever knew, and when we were off the banks of Newfoundland he said to me:

"Mr. Inglis, the last time I crossed here, five weeks ago, one of the most extraordinary things happened which, has completely revolutionized the whole of my Christian life. Up to that time I was one of your ordinary Christians. We had a man of God on board, George Müller, of Bristol. I had been on that bridge for twenty-two hours and never left it. I was startled by some one tapping me on the shoulder. It was George Müller:

"Captain, he said, 'I have come to tell you that I must be in Quebec on Saturday afternoon.' This was Wednesday.

"It is impossible,' I said.

"Very well, if your ship can't take me, God will find some other means of locomotion to take me. I have never broken an engagement in fifty seven years.'

"I would willingly help you. How can I? I am helpless.'

"Let us go down to the chart-room and pray.'

"I looked at that man of God, and I thought to myself, what lunatic asylum could that man have come from? I never heard of such a thing.

"Mr. Müller,' I said, 'do you know how dense the fog is?'

"No,' he replied, 'my eye is not on the density of the fog, but on the living God who controls every circumstance of my life.'

"He got down on his knees and prayed one of the most simple prayers. I muttered to myself: 'That would suit a children's class where the children were not more than eight or nine years old.' The burden of his prayer was something like this: 'O Lord, if it is consistent with Thy will, please remove this fog in five minutes. You know the engagement you made for me in Quebec Saturday. I believe it is your will.'

"When he finished. I was going to pray, but he put his hand on my shoulder and told me not to pray. "First, you do not believe He will; and second. I believe He has. And there is no need whatever for you to pray about it.' I looked at him, and George Müller said..

"Captain. I have known my Lord for forty-seven years, and there has never been a single day that I have failed to gain an audience with the King. Get up, captain, and open the door, and you will find the fog is gone.' I got up, and the fog was gone!

"You tell that to some people of a scientific turn of mind, and they will say, 'That is not according to natural laws.' No, it is according to spiritual laws. The God with whom we have to do is omnipotent. Hold on to God's omnipotence. Ask believingly. On Saturday afternoon, I may add, George Müller was there on time."

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